

Interview Summary

Application No.
09/868,043

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Arun Chakrabarti

Art Unit

1634

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Arun Chakrabarti

(3) _____

(2) Daniel Pereira

(4) _____

Date of Interview May 12, 2003

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☒ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: All

Identification of prior art discussed:

All

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Applicant was explained the basis of 102(b) rejections. Applicant pointed out that microtrough is the special feature of this invention, which was not described in the prior art. Examiner explained why the microtroughs were inherently present in the prior art. However, applicant was advised to put the size limitations of microtroughs from the specification (page 17, line 6) in the claim to obviate the prior art rejection. However, further consideration and search is necessary in order to consider the amended claims.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Arun K. Chakrabarti

Examiner's signature, if required